

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Original) A discrimination medium comprising:

an optical functional layer including at least one of a cholesteric liquid crystal layer having a circular polarization light selectivity of reflecting predetermined circularly polarized light, and a multilayer film having plural light transparent films which are laminated and are different from each other in refraction index;

an adhesive layer;

a partial peeling layer having a first surface and a second surface, the first surface directly or indirectly contacting the adhesive layer, the second surface directly or indirectly contacting the optical functional layer; and

a structure which is provided at a portion of the second surface and of which the portion is easily peeled from the optical functional layer.

2. (Original) A discrimination medium comprising:

an optical functional layer including at least one of a cholesteric liquid crystal layer having a circular polarization light selectivity of reflecting predetermined circularly polarized light, and a multilayer film having plural light transparent films which are laminated and are different from each other in refraction index;

a substrate layer provided on the optical functional layer;

an adhesive layer;

a partial peeling layer having a first surface and a second surface, the first surface directly or indirectly contacting the adhesive layer, the second surface directly or indirectly contacting the optical functional layer;

an adhesion strength X_A on the first surface of the partial peeling layer;
an adhesion strength X_B on the second surface of the partial peeling layer; and
an adhesion strength X_C between the optical functional layer and the substrate layer, wherein
the adhesion strength X_A , the adhesion strength X_B , and the adhesion strength X_C satisfy
the relationships $X_A < X_B$ and $X_A < X_C$ at a portion, and satisfy the relationships $X_C < X_A$ and
 $X_C < X_B$ at another portion.

3. (Original) A discrimination medium comprising:

an optical functional layer including at least one of a cholesteric liquid crystal layer
having a circular polarization light selectivity of reflecting predetermined circularly polarized
light, and a multilayer film having plural light transparent films which are laminated and are
different from each other in refraction index;

an adhesive layer;

a partial peeling layer having a first surface and a second surface, the first surface directly
or indirectly adhering the adhesive layer, the second surface directly or indirectly contacting
the optical functional layer; and

a portion which is provided on the second surface of the peeling layer and which has an
adhesion strength weaker than that of another portion of the peeling layer, wherein

when a pressure or a stress is applied to the discrimination medium, the portion is
selectively peeled, and a cavity is thereby formed thereat.

4. (Currently Amended) A discrimination medium according to ~~one of claims 1 to~~
3claim 1,

the discrimination medium further comprising:

a multilayer film provided between the adhesive layer and the partial peeling layer, the multilayer film having plural light transparent films which are laminated and are different from each other in refraction index.

5. (Currently Amended) A discrimination medium according to ~~one of claims 1 to 4~~claim 1,

the discrimination medium further comprising:
a cut line provided at at least one of the respective layers by cutting.

6. (Currently Amended) A discrimination medium according to ~~one of claims 1 to 5~~claim 1,

the discrimination medium further comprising:
a structure which is provided in the cholesteric liquid crystal layer, and in which an interlayer peeling easily occurs.

7. (Currently Amended) A discrimination medium according to ~~one of claims 1 to 6~~claim 1,

the discrimination medium further comprising:
a hologram which is provided in the optical functional layer and which has a figure.

8. (Original) A discrimination medium according to claim 7, wherein
when the discrimination medium is peeled, the figure of the hologram is cut.

9. (Currently Amended) A discrimination medium according to claim 1 ~~or 2~~, wherein

when the discrimination medium is peeled, at least one of a portion of the optical functional layer remains in the discrimination medium and another portion of the optical functional layer is peeled from the discrimination medium, wherein the portion and another portion has a figure.

10. (Original) A discrimination medium according to claim 3, wherein
when the discrimination medium is peeled, the cavity has a figure.

11. (Currently Amended) An article to be discriminated comprising:
the discrimination medium according to ~~one of claims 1 to 10~~claim 1

12. (New) A discrimination medium according to claim 2,
the discrimination medium further comprising:
a multilayer film provided between the adhesive layer and the partial peeling layer, the multilayer film having plural light transparent films which are laminated and are different from each other in refraction index.

13. (New) A discrimination medium according to claim 2,
the discrimination medium further comprising:
a cut line is provided to at least one of the respective layers by cutting.

14. (New) A discrimination medium according to claim 2,
the discrimination medium further comprising:
a structure which is provided in the cholesteric liquid crystal layer, and in which an interlayer peeling easily occurs.

15. (New) A discrimination medium according to claim 2,
the discrimination medium further comprising:
a hologram which is provided in the optical functional layer and which has a figure.
16. (New) A discrimination medium according to claim 15, wherein
when the discrimination medium is peeled, the figure of the hologram is cut.
17. (New) A discrimination medium according to claim 2, wherein
when the discrimination medium is peeled, at least one of a portion of the optical
functional layer remains in the discrimination medium and another portion of the optical
functional layer is peeled from the discrimination medium, wherein the portion and another
portion has a figure.
18. (New) An article to be discriminated comprising:
the discrimination medium according to claim 2.
19. (New) A discrimination medium according to claim 3,
the discrimination medium further comprising:
a multilayer film provided between the adhesive layer and the partial peeling layer, the
multilayer film having plural light transparent films which are laminated and are different
from each other in refraction index.
20. (New) A discrimination medium according to claim 3,
the discrimination medium further comprising:

a cut line is provided to at least one of the respective layers by cutting.

21. (New) A discrimination medium according to claim 3,

the discrimination medium further comprising:

a structure which is provided in the cholesteric liquid crystal layer, and in which an interlayer peeling easily occurs.

22. (New) A discrimination medium according to claim 3,

the discrimination medium further comprising:

a hologram which is provided in the optical functional layer and which has a figure.

23. (New) A discrimination medium according to claim 22, wherein

when the discrimination medium is peeled, the figure of the hologram is cut.

24. (New) An article to be discriminated comprising:

the discrimination medium according to claim 3.